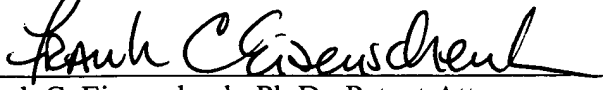


I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313 on March 1, 2004.


Frank C. Eisenschenk, Ph.D., Patent Attorney

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)
Examining Group 1761
Patent Application
Docket No. GIR-T104
Serial No. 09/781,586

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Curtis Edward Sherrer
Art Unit : 1761
Applicants : Leonard S. Girsh
Serial No. : 09/781,586
Conf. No. : 1293
Filed : February 9, 2001
For : Process for Preparing Hypoallergenic and Reduced Fat Foods

RECEIVED
MAR 09 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant requests that the period for response be extended three months through and including March 1, 2004. An Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111 accompanies this Petition. Please charge the fee of \$475.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

03/08/2004 EHAILE1 00000062 190065 09781586
01 FC:2253 475.00 DA

Any additional fees as required by 37 CFR §§1.16 or 1.17 should be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-0065. Two additional copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank C. Eisenschenk, Ph.D.

Patent Attorney

Registration No. 45,332

Phone No.: 352-375-8100

Fax No.: 352-372-5800

Address: 2421 N.W. 41st Street, Suite A-1
Gainesville, FL 32606-6669

FCE/ssa

Attachment: Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111 and Terminal Disclaimer